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FYI FLWG MSG SENT JUNE 9 TO CINCPACREP GUAM/TTPI, GUAM,

MARIANA ISLANDS QUOTE VIOLATION OF TERRITORIAL WATERS

- 1. DISTAD YAP HAS REPORTED THAT A KOREAN FISHING VESSEL (NR. 212) RAN AGROUND ON WOLEAI ATOLL, 6 JUNE. ON 7 JUNE A SECOND KOREAN VESSEL (NO. 232) ARRIVED ON SCENE, FOLLOWED BY A THIRD (NO. 226) ON 8 JUNE.
- 2. LOCAL INHABITANTS ATTEMPTED TO APPROACH THE GROUNDED VESSEL TO RENDER ASSISTANCE BUT WERE DRIVEN OFF.
- 3. LATE SUNDAY, 8 JUNE, DISTAD YAP WAS NOTIFIED THAT KOREAN CREWMEMBERS, IN AN APPARENTLY INTOXICATED CONDITION, HAD LANDED ON THE ATOLL. IN ADDITION TO TAKING VARIOUS PRODUCE, ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO MOLEST LOCAL WOMEN.
- 4. NO FURTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. TT LNO GUAM HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO CONTACT THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA REPRESENTATIVE ON GUUM REQUESTING HIS INTERCESSION.
- 5. DISTAD YAP HAS NO READILY AVAILABLE MEANS OF RENDERING ASSIS-UNCLASSIFIED

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TANCE, NOR ARE THERE OTHER TT VESSELS IN THE VICINITY.

6. IN VIEQ OF THE POSSIBILITY OF BODILY HARM TO THE PEOPLE OF WOLEAI, AND THE FUTURE IMPRESSION THIS INCIDENT MAY HAVE ON FOREIGN FISHING IN GENERAL WITHIN THE TTPI, MILITARY ASSISTANCE IS HEREBY REQUESTED. UNQUOTE
MILITARY AIRCRAFT FLEW OVER AREA JUNE 11TH AND PHOTOS TAKEN. VESSEL HIGH ON REEF AND CREW RETURNED TO VESSEL. BOTH CREW AND PEOPLE ASHORE WAVED TO AIRCRAFT AND NO APPARENT INDICATION OF ANYTHING WRONG. COMNAVMAR HAS REQUESTED SURFACE VESSEL FROM SEVENTH FLEET TO CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION. VESSEL A GUIDED-MISSILE DESTROYER ARVG WOLEAI THIS PM. WILL ADVISE. COLEMAN UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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